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(*b*) whether the same facility will be extended for the purchase of handloom cloth to encourage handloom industry which is suffering owing to the competition of machine made goods;

(*c*) if not the reasons for the same?

A.—Smt. LEELAVATI MAGADI VENKTESH (Deputy Minister for Rural Industries).—

(*a*) No.
(*b*) Does not arise.
(*c*) Does not arise.

Delay in giving effect to the revised Scales of Pay in the Agriculture Department.

Q.—7. Sri K. KENCHAPPA (Hiriyur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that in a number of cases in the Agriculture Department, the G.O. dated 1st January 1957 has not been given effect to and the cases are pending in the Director's Office though they were submitted by the Subordinate Officers long back;

(*b*) whether they are aware of the hardship caused to the Non-Gazetted officials since their pay has not been fixed so far;

(*c*) the difficulties confronting the Director of Agriculture in disposing of these claims for the last 2½ years;

(*d*) the number of persons in the Agriculture Department whose pay has not been fixed so far under the said G.O.;

(*e*) whether they have fixed any time limit to dispose of their cases;

(*f*) the time required to dispose of these pending cases by the Director of Agriculture?

A.—Sri N. RACHIAH (Minister for Agriculture, Excise and Social Welfare).—

(*a*) No.
(*b*) No.
(*c*) Does not arise in view of replies to (*a*) and (*b*) above.
(*d*) Not known.
(*e*) Time limit to exercise option for revised scales of pay and D. A. has been extended up to 30th June 1960. Till then the officials have time for exercising their option. Unless the officials opt out to the new scales of pay and Dearness Allowance, their pay cannot be fixed in the revised scale.
(*f*) Does not arise in view of reply to (*e*) above.

Nomination of the Chairman of Village Panchayets on the Committees of N.E.S. or C.D. Blocks.

Q.—9. Sri K. KENCHAPPA (Hiriyur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the Chairman of each Village Panchayet is on the committee of N.E.S. or C.D. Block;

(*b*) the number of blocks in which they are not members of the said Committees;

(*c*) whether it has come to their notice that due to non-inclusion of the Chairmen of the Village Panchayets the details of work to be carried in each village have not come to the notice of the Committee and their work has been hampered to a great extent;

(*d*) whether they will at least now include the Chairman of each Village Panchayet on the Committee of N.E.S. or C.D. Blocks?

A.—Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY (Deputy Minister for Planning and Development) :—

(*a*) In every Block Development Committee, Chairmen of seven Village Panchayats in the block area are nominated.

(*b*) and (*c*) Does not arise in view of reply to (*a*) above.

(*d*) It has been prescribed that Chairman/Sarpanch of seven Village Panchayats in a Block area should be